

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claims 8 and 11 are currently being amended.

Claim 7 is requested to be cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

Claims 1-6 and 8-20 are now pending in this application.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant appreciates the allowance of claims 1-6 and 12-20 and the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 8-11. As suggested by the Examiner, Applicant has rewritten claims 8 and 11 in independent form, including all of the limitation of the base claims and any intervening claims. Claims 9 and 10 depend from claim 8. Accordingly, claims 8-11 are now in allowable form.

Claim Rejections

The Examiner rejected claim 7 under 35 U.S.C. 103 (a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2001/0002199 in the name of Hershey *et al.* in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0099210 in the name of O'Toole *et al.* or U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0200343 in the name of Greenblat *et al.* Applicant has canceled claim 7 without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, the rejection of claim 7 is moot.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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